

Adoption of children by NRIs

†3025. SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the present provision for adopting children born in the country by NRIs;

(b) the agency responsible for implementing these provisions in the country;

(c) whether Government propose to effect any changes in the said provisions; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKACHOWDHURY): (a) to(d) Procedure related to adoption of Indian children by NRIs has been provided under 'Guidelines for Adoption from India-2006'. Central Adoption Resource Agency (CARA) is responsible for ensuring implementation of these guidelines. These guidelines/provisions, which are reviewed regularly in order to make their implementation more efficient and child friendly, are available on the CARA website www.adoptionindia.nic.in

Short Stay Homes for Women and Girls

3026. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Short Stay Homes for Women and Girls Scheme is enforced in the State of Goa;

(b) the activities undertaken under the mission by the Goa Government;

(c) the financial assistance given till date;

(d) the projects proposed to be implemented in the State of Goa under the mission; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKACHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

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(b) One Short Stay Home has been sanctioned in Goa under the Scheme to a voluntary organization.

(c) Amount released to voluntary organization for running Short Stay Homes in Goa during the last five years is as under:

Year	Amount released
2002-03	Rs. 3,50,197/-
2003-04	Rs. 2,45,444/-
2004-05	Rs. 3,87,390/-
2005-06	Rs. 63,219/-
2006-07	Rs. 2,92,433/-

(d) and (e) Sanction of new project under the Scheme is dependant on the need therefor and receipt of proposal meeting the schematic norms.

Long term plan against maltreatment of children

†3027. SHRI SHREEGOPALVYAS: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a long term *plan* is under consideration in view of maltreatment against children;

(b) whether deliberations will be held jointly with the Ministries of Information and Broadcasting, Human Resource Development and Culture on it;

(c) if so, the details of the stipulated action plan;

(d) whether successful experiments in the fields of education and culture will also figure in these deliberations; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKACHOWDHURY): (a) to (e) Ministry of Women and Child Development has recently get conducted a National level Study on Child Abuse which was released of 9th April, 2007. The

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